SENATE BILL 2928

By Johnson

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 50, relative to workers' compensation.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

- SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 50-6-207(1), is amended by adding the following language as a new subdivision (E):
 - (E) An employee claiming an injury occurring on or after July 1, 2010, that results at any time in pain management treatments shall be conclusively presumed to be at maximum medical improvement upon the earliest occurrence of the following:
 - (i) At the time the treating physician concludes the employee has reached maximum medical improvement; or
 - (ii) Fifty-two (52) weeks after the employee has reached maximum medical improvement as a result of the physical injury that is the proximate cause of need for pain management;
 - SECTION 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2010, the public welfare requiring it.